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FOR THE SECRETARY, EAGLEBURGER, SISCO AND DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE
FOREIGN SERVICE.

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SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT'S TREATMENT OF PISTOL SALE

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1. PRESS REPORTS AND WIRELESS FILE ACCOUNTS OF DEPARTMENT
SPOKESMAN RE SUBJECT HITS A NEW LOW IN STATE DEPT PUBLIC
RELATIONS AND PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT. NAMES OF TERRY GRANT
AND EDWARD PADELFORD APPEARING IN PRESS PRIOR RECEIPT REFTEL
OR SERIOUS EXAMINATION OF QUESTION IS IN MY OPINION OUTRAGEOUS
AND I TRUST THAT AT SOME TIME THIS MISTAKE CAN BE RECTIFIED.

2. AS FAR AS FOREIGN SERVICE MORALE IS CONCERNED, I
CAN THINK OF NOTHING WORSE. WE ARE CONSTANTLY SUBJECTED TO
HIGH LEVEL EXHORTATIONS ABOUT TAKING RESPONSIBILITY INITIATIVE,
ETC. BUT ONCE THERE IS DISAGREEMENT WITH WHAT HAS
BEEN DONE, THE BOOM IS LOWERED IN A VICISOU MANNER.
HOURS ARE SPENT ON GIMMICKS SUCH AS SECRETARIAL
TASK FORCE AND OTHER TIME CONSUMING PROJECTS BUT
THE REAL GUTS OF MORALE IN ANY ORGANIZATION, I.E.
SUPPORT OF JUNIORS BY SENIORS WHEN THE CHIPS ARE
DOWN, IN THIS CASE AT LEAST, IS TOTALLY OVERLOOKED.
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